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50 percent of the stores in the state use their own equipment or ask for and if they...if 50 percent of them take the state equipment and after the initial year there will be a savings of \$2,470. That's not very much. That's only at 50 percent. At 75 percent, that savings, after the first year, to the state of Nebraska, you and me and everyone in here pays income tax are going to have to be footing this bill. We would save \$21,000. That's at 75 percent. Well, I don't believe that 75 percent is going to be correct. I think it's going to be closer to 85 percent. That will mean more savings. So it comes down to dollars and cents. Well, what do you want to do? Do you want the...the state to run this and have them cost five and a half cents a transaction, or do you want private enterprise to do it at a cost of five cents? Dollars and cents. We can stand here and we can argue from now till the cows come home, those figures do not change. And these aren't my figures. These figures came from HHS. These printouts are exactly what they...they did it. Here it is, black and white. I oppose the bracket motion. I would like to see us go ahead and vote on this some time today. I'll stay here as long as it takes, and if you need any other questions answered and you don't want to ask them over the microphone, why, come over and talk to...to me or my staff and we'd be glad to explain it to you. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN PRESIDING

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President. Members, new information that I was afforded here shows that there are 812 grocery stores in the state. Out of the 812, 235 stores have only one lane. Therefore, channeling is not a problem. It's not going to be a logjam when you have to send one to another. Let's say even the two- or three-lane stores, I remember when credit cards first came into the grocery business there was one machine and they took my credit card and went over...I didn't buy more products because I had a credit card, but they took my card over to the next lane or two, swiped it, had a printout, brought it back, I signed it, no big deal. I still think this is rough policy to adopt in government. There...there's a mandate that we're already trying to manage from the feds.